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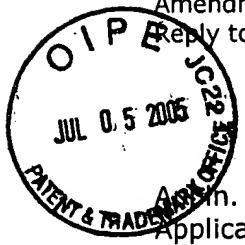
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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action dated **April 1, 2005**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page _____ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page **13** of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.
- Amendments to the Abstract** are on page _____ of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page _____ of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **14** of this paper.